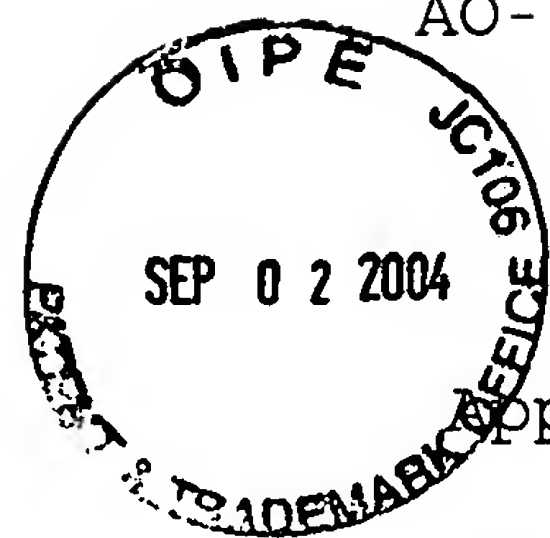


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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121) mailed August 16, 2004, please find the two attached drawing sheets amended to identify them as "REPLACEMENT SHEETS".

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